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Letter dated 8 March 1993 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter from His Excellency Mr. Dobrica Cosić, President of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 79 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dragomir DJOKIĆ
Ambassador
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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ANNEX

Letter dated 8 March 1993 from the President of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia to the Secretary-General

On the occasion of the departure of General Satish Nambiar from the post of Commander of the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) on the soii of former Yugoslavia, I should like to convey through you as well our gratitude for General Nambiar's committed efforts and his contribution to peace.

In the exercise of his very difficult mission on the soil of this tormented land in which a religious, civil and inter-ethnic war is raging, he managed to remain consistent, just and truthful in his perceptions and his efforts to deal with diverse and numerous difficulties. As a soldier, democrat and peacemaker he demonstrated the highest moral and professional virtues in the conduct of the United Nations peace operation, thereby contributing to preventing a further escalation of the war in these parts.

Expressing due respect for General Nambiar and our sincere regret upon his withdrawal, I wish to avail myself of this opportunity to assure you once again that the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, and I personally, will continue to spare no effort to put an end to the hostilities on Yugoslav soil and to have mutual problems settled by political negotiation.

I rely on the UNPROFOR troops now under the command of General Lars Eric Wahlgren, in the name of a more peaceful future for the afflicted, to remain on our soil, to continue to operate efficiently and to live up to their humane mission in the aim of the attainment of peace.

May I once again express my gratitude to you personally, to General Nambiar and to the United Nations Organization for their peacemaking mission.

(Signed) Dobrica COSIĆ